EXHIBIT A

Patents containing a broad linker or spacer
Patent, title, and representative claim(s) or claim sections

6,821,632 Composite of a vulcanizable rubber composition and cured rubber product
16. A composite of a vulcanizable composition selected from a group consisting of natural rubbers, synthetic rubbers and thermoplastic elastomers and having a least one metal reinforcement element embedded therein, wherein the metal reinforcement element has a coating of a polymer deposited from a solution and compatible with and co-polymerizable with said vulcanizable composition, and bearing functional groups covalently bonding to the metal surface of said at least one reinforcement element, wherein the functional groups are selected from the group consisting of: ...R representing an organic **spacer** chain; ....

6,790,827 Bioconjugates and delivery of bioactive agents
24. The method of claim 1, wherein said bioactive agent is covalently bound indirectly to the cobalt atom of the organocobalt complex via a **spacer.**

6,787,517 Agent and methods for treating pain
31. An agent according to claim 1 wherein the therapeutic component and the targeting ligand are attached to each other through a **spacer** component.

6,783,819 Crown compound modified silica coatings for ink-jet media
6. A coated media substrate as in claim 1 wherein the crown compounds are attached to the reactive groups through **spacer** groups.

6,777,237 Bioconjugates and delivery of bioactive agents
1. 1. A method of administering a bioactive agent to cells of a targeted tissue site of a subject which comprises administering to said subject an effective amount of the bioactive agent as a bioconjugate, wherein said bioconjugate comprises the bioactive agent and an organocobalt complex ...wherein the bioactive agent is covalently conjugated to the cobalt atom of the organocobalt complex through a non-reactive atom in the bioactive agent molecule,....
31. The method of claim 1, wherein said bioactive agent is covalently bound is indirectly to the cobalt atom of the organocobalt complex via a **spacer**.

6,776,976 Bioconjugates and delivery of bioactive agents
1. A bioconjugate a bioactive agent and an organocobalt complex wherein the bioactive agent is covalently conjugated to the cobalt atom of the organocobalt complex through a non-reactive atom in the bioactive agent molecule, wherein said bioactive agent is selected from the group consisting of a peptide, a peptide analogue, a protein, protein analogue, a nucleic acid and a nucleic acid analogue.
6. The bioconjugate of claim 1, wherein said bioactive agent is covalently bound indirectly to the cobalt atom of the organocobalt complex via a **spacer**.

Patents defining the linker or spacer

6,835,807 Drug complex and drug delivery system
6,833,421 Compound
6,814,973 Cosmetic use of at least one polyorganosiloxane as a gelling agent and cosmetic composition containing it
6,780,969 Synthetic peptide composition as immunogens for prevention of urinary tract infection
6,777,557 Method and composition for rejuvenating cells, tissues organs, hair and nails
6,773,920 Delivery of functional protein sequences by translocating polypeptides
6,765,056 Aqueous cross-linkable binder composition and its use in the production of lacquer coatings
6,764,853 Method for targeted delivery of nucleic acids
6,762,223 Stabilized imageable coating composition and printing plate precursor